

# Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining Board 9535 E. Doubletree Ranch Road, Suite 100 Scottsdale, AZ 85258 Phone: 602-364-1PET(1738) ◆ Fax: 602-364-1039 vetboard.az.gov

#### Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your request for an application and information regarding Arizona's veterinarian licensing and examination procedures. Licensure is available to graduates from a college of veterinary medicine accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) and to applicants who hold an Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates (ECFVG) certificate issued by the AVMA or a Program for the Assessment of Veterinary Education Equivalence (PAVE) certificate issued by the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB).

An applicant may apply for a *Regular, Endorsement or Specialty* License. For your convenience, the requirements for each category are listed separately in this packet. A brief explanation follows:

- ➤ Regular License: The applicant is a graduate from a college of veterinary medicine accredited by the AVMA, or holds a certificate of completion issued by the ECFVG or PAVE. The applicant must have passed the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE) examination with a score of at least 425 (75%) within 5 years of application for state examination and licensure. For further requirements and instructions, please see the page titled, "Instructions for Completing the Application Process: Application for Regular License."
- ➤ Endorsement License: The applicant is a graduate from a college of veterinary medicine accredited by the AVMA, or holds a certificate of completion issued by ECFVG or PAVE and has not taken the NAVLE within the past 5 years. The applicant is currently licensed as a practicing veterinarian in another state. For further requirements and instructions, please see the page titled, "Instructions for Completing the Application Process: Application for Licensure by Endorsement."
- Specialty License: The applicant is a graduate from a college of veterinary medicine accredited by the AVMA, or holds a certificate of completion issued by ECFVG or PAVE and holds a current certification as a diplomate of a national specialty board or college recognized by the AVMA. Passing the NAVLE prior to or after application is not required for this type of license. NOTE: The applicant's practice will be limited to the scope of the applicant's board certification. For further requirements and instructions, please see the page titled, "Instructions for Completing the Application Process: Application for Licensure as Specialty."

An applicant who meets the criteria for one of the licensing categories and who wants to practice veterinary medicine while awaiting the next scheduled state examination may apply for a temporary permit. For further instructions, please see *Instructions for Completing the Application Process: Temporary Permit.*"

**NAVLE ONLY:** An applicant who is a current student in the last year of a college of veterinary medicine accredited by the AVMA **or** a graduate of a college of veterinary medicine accredited by the AVMA **or** who is enrolled in the ECFVG or PAVE program may apply to take the NAVLE examination given twice a year. To apply to take the NAVLE and for further requirements and instructions, please visit www.nbvme.org.

When completing the Statement of Citizenship, please note that if the name on your application has changed from the name on the proof of citizenship you are submitting, you must also submit a copy of the document that legally defines the change.

An individual with a disability, who, as a result of the disability, requires this application to be in an alternative format, may contact the Board's Americans with Disability coordinator at (602) 364-1738, or Voice Relay Service (800) 842-4681 or TTY at (800) 367-8939 to make their needs known.

For your convenience, in applying for the Arizona State Examination and licensure, please follow the application process on the appropriate instruction page as indicated above. If you have questions regarding the application process, please call our Licensing Administrator (602) 542-8166.

Sincerely,

Victoria Whitmore

Victoria Whitmore Executive Director

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION PROCESS

#### APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT

The following must be submitted:

- Properly completed and notarized application.
   APPLICANT SIGNATURE DATE AND NOTARIZED DATE MUST MATCH.
- A non-refundable application and license issuance fee of \$750. Must be a money order or certified check payable in US funds only to: AZVMEB. DO NOT SEND PERSONAL OR BUSINESS CHECKS. WE DO NOT ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS.
- 3. A passport type photo of the applicant (no larger than  $1\frac{1}{2}$  x 2 inches in size) taken during the preceding 6 months.
- 4. Official final transcript sent directly to this Board by the AVMA accredited veterinary college from which applicant graduated. The transcript must show graduation date and degree earned.
- 5. If applicant is a <u>foreign graduate</u>, submit a copy directly to this Board of the ECFVG Certificate of Completion issued by the AVMA or a copy of the PAVE Certificate of Completion issued by the AAVSB.
- 6. A typewritten letter or current résumé summarizing experience and qualifications.
- 7. <u>MORAL CHARACTER REFERENCE FORM FORM INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET</u>: Three forms of moral character reference from persons not related to applicant and who have known applicant a minimum of three (3) years. Does not need to be completed by a veterinarian. These 3 individuals are separate from: 10. <u>MORAL CHARACTER LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION PROFESSIONAL OUALIFICATIONS</u>.
- 8. <u>VERIFICATION of LICENSURE</u> FORM INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET: Each state or territory of the United States in which you are or ever have been licensed must send directly to this Board a verification of licensure to include current standing and status of any current investigation or discipline received for violation of a veterinary medical practice act. **Applicant** is responsible to request verification of licensure from each state or territory, where currently or previously licensed. Each state's process may differ, and a fee may be assessed. Response time can vary up to six (6) weeks to process.
- 9. Verification of Employment as a veterinarian for at least three of the preceding five years or six of the preceding ten years in one or more states or Canada before filing an application for licensure in this state. Examples: A letter from employer(s) indicating employment time frames to fit requirement. If self-employed, then a letter from your CPA or accountant verifying employment time frames to fit requirement.
- 10. MORAL CHARACTER LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FORM INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET: A letter to be sent directly to this Board from a veterinarian or colleague indicating applicant's professional qualifications and character. Cannot be from one of the three (3) individuals who submit the Moral Character Reference Form. This form may be used or the author of the letter may use his or her own letterhead.
- 11. Arizona Statement of Citizenship and Alien Status for State Public Benefits Form included in this packet. Attach the applicable copy of proof of citizenship.
  - A. In addition to proof of citizenship documentation, a government issued photo I.D. is required, if proof of citizenship submitted is in the form of a birth certificate. If proof of citizenship is in the form of a document containing a photo, i.e. passport, permanent resident card, etc., an additional photo I.D. is not required.
- 12. To apply for a Temporary Permit, please download "Instructions and Forms for Temporary Permit".

### **EXAMINATION DATES AND DEADLINES**

# <u>IT IS RECOMMENDED YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION AT LEAST 1-2 WEEKS PRIOR TO</u> DEADLINE IN ORDER TO ENSURE COMPLETION BY THAT DEADLINE

### Per R3-11-201: Application for a Veterinary Medical License:

➤ If you have passed the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE) and are required to take *only* the State Examination, submit your application no later than 30 days before the date you intend to take the State Examination. Applications must be complete by deadline.

### **State Veterinarian Examination Dates and Application Deadlines**

<u>Exam</u>	<b>Application Deadline</b>
02/13/2015	01/14/2015
03/13/2015	02/11/2015
04/10/2015	03/11/2015
05/01/2015	04/01/2015
06/12/2015	05/13/2015
07/10/2015	06/10/2015
08/07/2015	07/08/2015
09/11/2015	08/12/2015
10/09/2015	09/09/2015
11/13/2015	10/14/2015
12/11/2015	11/11/2015

**EXAMPLE:** The deadline for Requesting a Temporary Permit: If you need a Temporary Permit for September 1st, you would need to have your application <u>complete</u> 30 days prior to the exam and Temporary Permit documents to our office no later than one week prior to the Board meeting in August.



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## APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE TO PRACTICE VETERINARY MEDICINE AND SURGERY

All fees are non-refundable and are to be submitted by money order or cashier's check payable in U.S. dollars.

### **Alternative Format for Submitting Application**

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Board for licensure in the Sta understand the filing of this app in the United States or anothe submitted to the Board <b>and th</b>	ate of Arizona by examination plication grants authority to the lar country; and that I shall mak at I acknowledge that any falsif	plication to the Arizona State V pursuant to A.R.S. 32-2213 Ar Board to obtain information from e an oath as to the contents of rication in my application to the E any falsification of information t	ticle 2: Licensing, et.seq. I any licensing agency or board ny application and credentials Board is adequate cause by the		
Select the license type you	are applying for:				
Regular (\$400)		Please indicate exam Month? _			
Endorsement (\$750)		Are you requesting a Tempora	ry Permit: Yes No		
Specialty (\$750)	Specialty (\$750)				
State Employee (\$5 eve	en numbered year/ \$10 odd numl	pered year)			
Section 1:	PERSONAL IN	FORMATION			
Name:		_ Maiden Name:			
Mailing Address:		Street			
City <b>Home Phone:</b> ()	County Cell phone: (	State Fax N	Zip umber ()		
SSN:	Date of Birth:	Gender:	Female Male		
Are you a US Citizen? Yes _	No If no, what is you	country of citizenship?			
Email Address:					
How would you prefer you	r name to read on your wall	license?			

Section 2:			Education	n		
	e(s) of University		e(s) of ndance		Graduation   Graduation	<u>Diploma(s) or Degree(s)</u> Earned or to be Earned
Section 3:		CURRENT	EMPLOY	MENT INFO	DRMATION	
Complete if applie	cable.	CORRENT	EMI LOT	WIENT INFO	ANIMATION	
Business Name:						
<b>Business Address:</b>	Stree	t	(	City	Sta	te Zip
Phone Number: (_	)					
Section 4:			Employ	nent		
If you have been en chronological order						s, please list employment in
Name of Employer		• •	Address		Position	<u>Dates of Employment</u>
Section 5:	Licenses:	: List all states	in which v	ou are or eve	er have been lie	censed.
State		se Number		License	_	Pate(s) and Status
				ranted	Active/Ina	ctive/Probation/ Revoked, etc.
			Page 2 of	4		

	You may use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.		
1.	Have you taken the NAVLE?  If so, please give the date and the state through which examination was taken.  Name of State: Date Taken:  NOTE: If you have taken the NAVLE within the last 5 years, your score must be sent directly to Score transfer is NOT REQUIRED, for an application for Licensure by Endorsement or Special		□ <b>No</b> by AAVSB.
2.	Have you ever been charged with, convicted of or pled nolo contendere to a crim minor traffic violation, in any state or federal court? <b>If yes,</b> give a full explanation or and submit a <b>certified</b> copy of Record of Conviction and Record of Disposition. Yo if you received a pardon, the conviction was set aside, the records were expunged, and/or whether or not sentence was imposed or suspended.  Date of Occurrence(s)	n a separate s u must answ	sheet of paper er "yes" even
3.			
4.	Has any license to practice veterinary medicine and surgery issued to you been revoke. If yes, please explain:	ed or suspend □ <b>Yes</b>	led? □ <b>No</b>
5.	Has any license to practice veterinary medicine and surgery issued to you been place you ever been fined, censored, or charged with a violation of the veterinary practice at Are you aware of any <i>pending</i> complaints, investigations, or disciplinary actions regarding y state? If yes, please explain:	ct in any stat	te in the U.S?
Sec	ction 7: Foreign Graduates		
1.	Are you currently enrolled in either the ECFVG or PAVE program?  If Yes, Indicate Program: ECFVG PAVE	□ Yes	□ No
	NOTE: If enrolled, a letter verifying your enrollment must be sent to this Board directly from	AAVSB or AV	MA.
2.	Have you received a certificate of completion from the ECFVG program or the PAVE program <i>If yes, please include a copy of the Certificate of Completion with this application.</i>	n? □ Yes	□ No

You are required to answer all of the following questions.

**Section 6:** 

# Affidavit of Applicant

Print The Annlicant's Full Name		heing
first duly sworn upon his or her oath deposes and application. I have read and understand the contemplication is true and correct to the best of my adeceit or misrepresentation. I hereby authorize ar professional association to release any informat application and state that a photocopy of this authorize the Arizona State Veterinary Medinformation submitted by me, upon request, to the person when such request is required or permitted falsification in my application is cause to deny my application interview that is conducted of me in regarders.	nt of this applicate ability and the interpretation to the State horization shall be it in Examining I he public or to all by Arizona Revy application. It is	tion. The information contained in the aformation submitted is without fraudate employer, past or present business on the of Arizona in connection with my have the same effect as the original. Board, or its successor, to release any licensing agency, or to any other vised Statutes. I acknowledge that any authorize the Board to tape record any
Signature of Applicant:		Date:
Subscribed and sworn to before me this	day of	, 20
STATE OF)		
COUNTY OF)		
	·	Notary Public Signature
	My Not	tary Commission Expires on
Seal:	-	
Please be advised of the following pursuant to Ariz	ona Revised Stat	utes (ARS) §41-1030:

ARS §41-1030(B): An agency shall not base a licensing decision in whole or in part on a licensing requirement or condition that is not specifically authorized by statute, rule or state tribal gaming compact. A general grant of authority in statute does not constitute a basis for imposing a licensing requirement or condition unless a rule is made pursuant to that general grant of authority that specifically authorizes the requirement or condition.

ARS §41-1030(D): This section may be enforced in private civil action and relief may be awarded against the state. The court may award reasonable attorney fees, damages and all fees associated with the license application to a party that prevails in an action against the state for a violation of this section.

ARS §41-1030(E): A state employee may not intentionally or knowingly violate this section. A violation of this section is cause for disciplinary action or dismissal pursuant to the agency's adopted personnel policy.

ARS §41-1030(F): This section does not abrogate the immunity provided by section 12-820.01 or 12-820.02



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# **MORAL CHARACTER REFERENCE FORM**

The following applicant will be applying to the State of Arizona for licensure as a veterinarian. We request that you furnish us with the requested information as listed below. Please answer the questions to the best of your knowledge and return this form to the Board office. Form may be faxed or emailed to kodi.calais@vetboard.az.gov Note: *This form is to be completed by persons not related to the applicant*. If necessary, you may use a second sheet of paper.

Name	of Applicant:		Maiden Name:			
l. Ho	ow long have you known the applicant	? (Must \text{\text{\$k\$}}	e a minimum of 3 yec	urs.)		
	the applicant or any member of his/her yes, please explain:				Yes □ No	
 3. Th	hrough what context do you know the a					
an	o your knowledge, has the applicant evenimals?  Yes, please explain:				Yes   No	
	o your knowledge, has the applicant every yes, please explain:	er failed to be trustwo	orthy in relation to his	s/her responsib		
otł du	o you know of any unfavorable incidentherwise that may have a bearing upon to uties not covered by questions contained yes, please explain:	the character or fitnesed in this questionnaire	e or disclosed in your	e) to perform p answers?   Y	orofessional Yes 🗆 No	
Deint \	Vour Name		Dhona			
	Your Name:(Please Print Clearly)					
Addres	ess:Street					
*7 C	Street	City		State	Zip	
Your S	Signature:	D;	ate:		_	



Name of Applicant: \_

Dear Veterinary Medical Examining Board:

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# MORAL CHARACTER LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION FORM

Please provide your input regarding the moral character and professional qualification of the applicant. Veterinarian may use his or her own letterhead. Please return to the Board office. Form may be faxed or emailed to kodi.calais@vetboard.az.gov

Signature of Veterinarian: _			Phone:	Date:	
Print Veterinarian Name:					
Address:	(Please Print Clearly)				
Street		City		State	Zip

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## **VERIFICATION OF LICENSURE**

APPLICANT AUTHORIZATION:					
Name:	License Num	License Number:			
Address:Street	City			77:	
Street	City		State	Zip	
I authorize the Veterinary Medical Board of Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examinin		_(State) to release the	e information be	elow to the	
Applicant's Signature					
			Date		
BOARD VERIFICATION:					
Board Address:Street					
Street	Ci	ty	State	Zip	
Board Phone:		Board Fax:			
Veterinarian's License Number:		_			
Date License Issued:		Expiration Date:			
Current License Status: (Active, Inactive, La	apsed, etc.):				
Disciplinary Action: No	Yes				
Current Disciplinary Action: No	Yes				
Pending Disciplinary Action: No	Yes				
If "yes" to any disciplinary action, please a of Law, and Final Order, or the charges of	_		gs of Fact, Con	clusions	
Name of Board Official:					
Signature of Board Official:	Please Print				
Title of Board Official:		Date of Signa	ature		
Official Board Seal:					

# ARIZONA STATEMENT OF CITIZENSHIP OR ALIEN STATUS FOR STATE PUBLIC BENEFITS

Professional License and Commercial License Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining Board

Title IV of the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (the "Act"), 8 U.S.C. § 1621, provides that, with certain exceptions, only United States citizens, United States non-citizen nationals, non-exempt "qualified aliens" (and sometimes only particular categories of qualified aliens), nonimmigrants, and certain aliens paroled into the United States are eligible to receive state, or local public benefits. With certain exceptions, a professional license and commercial license issued by a State agency is a State public benefit.

Arizona Revised Statutes § 41-1080 requires, in general, that a person applying for a license must submit documentation to the license agency that satisfactorily demonstrates the applicant's presence in the United States is authorized under federal law.

Directions: All applicants must complete Sections I, II, and IV. Applicants who are not U.S. citizens or nationals must also complete Section III.

Submit this completed form and a copy of one or more document(s) from the attached "Evidence of U.S. Citizenship, U.S. National Status, or Alien Status" with your application for license or renewal. If the document you submit does not contain a photograph, you must also provide a government issued document that contains your photograph. You must submit supporting legal documentation (i.e. marriage certificate) if the name on your evidence is not the same as your current legal name.

SECTION I – APPLICANT INFORMATION				
APPLICANT'S NAME (Print or type)				
TYPE OF APPLICATION (Check one) ☐ INITIAL APPLICATION ☐ REAPPLICATION				
TYPE OF LICENSE/CERTIFICATION (Check one) □ DVM □ CVT				
SECTION II – CITIZENSHIP OR NATIONAL STATUS DECLARATION				
Are you a citizen or national of the United States? ☐ Yes ☐ No				
If <b>Yes</b> , indicate place of birth:				
City State (or equivalent) Country or Territory				
If you answered <b>Yes</b> , 1) Attach a legible copy of a document from the EVIDENCE OF U.S. CITIZENSHIP, U.S. NATIONAL STATUS, OR ALIEN STATUS (Attached)				
Name of document provided				
2) Go to Section IV.				
If you answered <b>No</b> , you must complete Section III and IV.				
SECTION III – ALIEN STATUS DECLARATION				
To be completed by applicants who are not citizens or nationals of the United States. Please indicate alien status by checking the appropriate box. Attach a legible copy of a document from EVIDENCE OF U.S. CITIZENSHIP, U.S. NATIONAL STATUS, OR ALIEN STATUS (Attached) or other document as evidence of your status.				
Name of document provided				

Qualif	ied A	Alien Status (8 U.S.C.§§ 1621(a)(1),-1641(b) and (c))		
	1.	An alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence under the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA)		
	2.	An alien who is granted asylum under Section 208 of the INA.		
	3.	A refugee admitted to the United States under Section 207 of the INA.		
	4.	An alien paroled into the United States for at least one year under Section 212(d)(5) of the INA.		
	5.	An alien whose deportation is being withheld under Section 243(h) of the INA.		
	6.	An alien granted conditional entry under Section 203(a)(7) of the INA as in effect prior to April 1, 1980.		
	7.	An alien who is a Cuban/Haitian entrant.		
	8.	An alien who has, or whose child or child's parent is a "battered alien" or an alien subject to extreme cruelty in the United States.		
Nonim	mig	rant Status (8 U.S.C. § 1621(a)(2))		
	9.	A nonimmigrant under the Immigration and Nationality Act [8 U.S.C $\S$ 1101 et seq.] Nonimmigrants are persons who have temporary status for a specific purpose. See 8 U.S.C $\S$ 1101(a)(15).		
Alien I	Paro	led into the United States For Less Than One Year (8 U.S.C. § 1621(a)(3))		
	10.	An alien paroled into the United States for less than one year under Section 212(d)(5) of the INA		
Other	Per	sons (8 U.S.C § 1621(c)(2)(A) and (C)		
	11.	A nonimmigrant whose visa for entry is related to employment in the United States, or		
	12.	A citizen of a freely associated state, if section 141 of the applicable compact of free association approved in Public Law 99-239 or 99-658 (or a successor provision) is in effect [Freely Associated States include the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau and the Federate States of Micronesia, 48 U.S.C. § 1901 <i>et seq.</i> ];		
	13.	A foreign national not physically present in the United States.		
Other	wise	Lawfully Present		
	14.	A person not described in categories 1-13 who is otherwise lawfully present in the United States. PLEASE NOTE: The federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act may make persons who fall into this category ineligible for licensure. See 8 U.S.C. § 1621(a).		
		SECTION IV - DECLARATION		
All app	olica	ints must complete this section.		
I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Arizona that the answers and evidence I have given are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.				
	ΛΙ	PPLICANT'S SIGNATURE TODAY'S DATE		
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### **EVIDENCE OF U.S. CITIZENSHIP, U.S. NATIONAL STATUS, OR ALIEN STATUS**

You must submit supporting legal documentation (i.e. marriage certificate) if the name on your evidence is not the same as your current legal name.

### **Evidence showing authorized presence in the United State includes the following:**

- 1. An Arizona driver license issued after 1996 or an Arizona non-operating identification license.
- 2. A driver license issued by a state that verifies lawful presence in the United States.
- 3. A birth certificate or delayed birth certificate showing birth in one of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico (on or after January 13, 1941), Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands (on or after January 17, 1917), American Samoa, or the Northern Mariana Islands (on or after November 4, 1986, Northern Mariana Islands local time)
- 4. A United States certificate of birth abroad.
- 5. A United States passport. \*\*\*Passport must be signed\*\*\*
- 6. A foreign passport with a United States visa.
- 7. An I-94 form with a photograph.
- 8. A United States citizenship and immigration services employment authorization document or refugee travel document.
- 9. A United States certificate of naturalization.
- 10. A United States certificate of citizenship.
- 11. A tribal certificate of Indian blood.
- 12. A tribal or bureau of Indian affairs affidavit of birth.
- 13. Any other license that is issued by the federal government, any other state government, an agency of this state or a political subdivision of this state that requires proof of citizenship or lawful alien status before issuing the license.